

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Mary Byrd Blomquist was born November 21, 1908, at Blair, Nebraska, to Francis and Mary Blomquist; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Mary married Clayton Hoffman and was blessed with two children, William and Robert, three grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild; and,

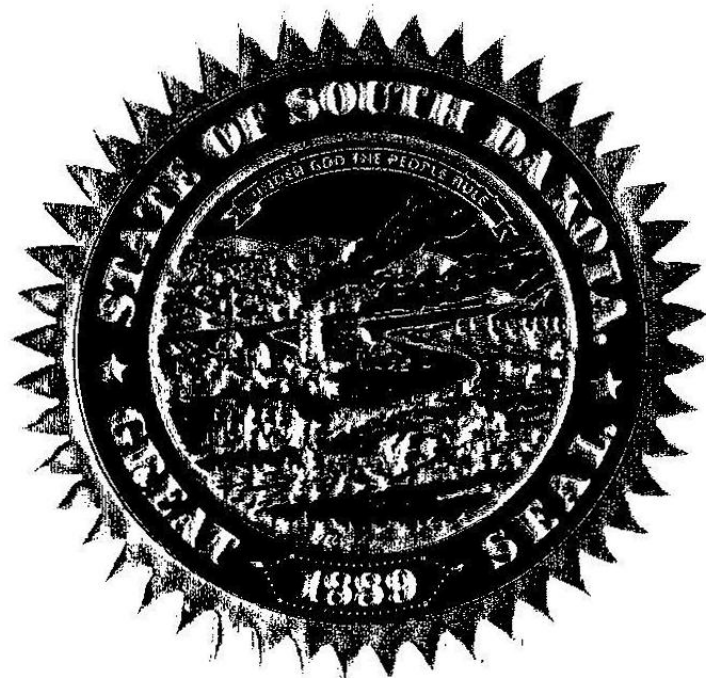
Whereas, Mary now resides at the Good Samaritan Society at Scotland and will observe her 100th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her family and friends gather to honor him and celebrate her life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a woman who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim November 21, 2008, as

MARY HOFFMAN DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Seventeenth Day of November in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eight.



M. Michael Rounds
M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Ch. Nelson
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State